

I like to keep Busy. And, obviously, there’s a certain amount of my busy schedule that is just because of circumstances. Having five kids who are active in sports as well as having a job that has me doing a variety of activities at various times throughout the week is going to keep me busy. However, I also love to be active and involved in the community through being on boards, coaching and attending meetings as well as being at events and activities even if my kids aren’t directly involved. Also taking on The Shelf and owning a rental property keeps me pretty busy as well. But even if I didn’t have these circumstances that directed some of my scheduling, I would find ways to keep active and busy in life. And, so far, I feel like I balance it out pretty well...so far. I have a wonderful wife who helps keep me from stretching myself too far as well as takes care of a lot of tasks and chores at home. She also comes along with me to support various endeavors that I find myself participating in. I’m sure there might be a day where all those balls I’m juggling in the air might come crashing down around me, but for now, I’m just enjoying the circus and ‘clowning around.’ (sorry for the pun) But amidst all of those activities and my busyness, I often hear that people know I’m busy and don’t want to bother me because I am busy. And I get that. We don’t like to feel like we’re a burden or pulling people away from other things they could be doing. I know I hate to ask for people’s help or to do something for me when I know they could be doing a million other things (and probably would rather be doing a million other things than helping me.) But at the same time, it’s important for us to be there for others, to take time to support one another and to be readily available to come to someone’s aid (even if it’s nothing more than a listening ear).

And I say all of that for two reasons. First, I am not ever too busy to take care of others. I am never too busy to take an hour or two (or more) to sit with any one of you and listen to what’s happening in your world. I am not always aware or attentive enough to know where someone might want me to be without them asking. And there are times when I’m not sure what the best step for me as a pastor or a friend to step into someone’s world. And so, please ask. Don’t ever think I’m too busy or that your needs or even wants are less important than anything else I have going on. I can miss a ballgame or two for you. I can skip a meeting or two for you. I will adjust my schedule and make it work for me to be present and to hear and to care for you. I can much more readily reply to a direct ‘ask’ than to try and guess if you’re wanting me to be there or to do something for you. And second, there are many others within our church and community that want to do that, too. They want to be available and to help and encourage you, but sometimes they don’t know how to come to your aid either. And so asking can be a huge part of that, but so does being available, too. Jesus tells us to ‘love one another as you love yourself.’ And if you’re one who wants someone to come and help or simply listen to you, then we need to be available when others are asking, too. I know I want others to come and help and care for me, and so I certainly want to do that for others as well. So, don’t assume ‘he’s/she’s too busy’ and just ask. And when we’re asked, just like we’d want someone to help us out, let’s be ready to ‘love our neighbor’ well. Serving Him and you, Matthew

Easter Services

There will be a Good Friday service on **Friday, March 29th at 6:00pm** at Summum Christian Church. *Also note:* we will have a **Community Sunrise Service at 8am** on Easter **at Woodland Church of the Brethren** followed by a potluck-style breakfast there. We will then return to ACC for our **Resurrection service at 10am** (there will be no Sunday School on Easter). Details on Sunrise Service and breakfast will be given soon. This community service gives us an opportunity to celebrate Easter like the early church, together as one fellowship of believers. At this point it will only be for this year and we will consider how it looks in the future. Please contact Matthew with questions.

Revival

Summum Christian Church is hosting a revival with local pastors preaching each night from Sunday, **April 7th** to Wednesday, **April 11th at 6:00pm nightly**. This is a great time to come together as a community and to engage with other Christians as we look to recommit our faith and enjoy the fellowship of others who love Jesus. Matthew will be preaching Sunday night.

Family Night Easter celebration

On **Wednesday, March 20th** we will be having our Easter Celebration and potluck at Family Night **at 6:00pm**. This will include a potluck meal followed by time together and presentation by the kids. It’s always a fun time to enjoy and celebrate this season together. Ham and drinks will be provided.

Prayer List

Kirsta Anderson-colon cancer spread to liver
Jerry Armbruster – serious health issues
Roy Atwood (Angela’s dad) - dementia
Dorothy Cleavinger – serious health issues
Karen Fredrick – in hospital, not well
Mike Grater – cancer
Eric Hamm – leukemia
Tristin Hayes – medical issues
Jim Kinzer – cancer, heart attack
Butch Maloney - cancer
Dan Palmer - health issues
Charlie Bill Palmer
Debbie Opp – chemo treatment, off work
Becky Watson – cancer treatments started
Ellen Webb – cancer, colon surgery
Friend of Mary Belville – unspoken
Unspoken Prayer Concern
Christina (coworker of Marion) and boyfriend’s travels
Brody - student from Rushville, biopsy
Campus House leadership changes
Condolences
Tom Ford family
Mayhew family
Nedra Bollinger family
Joe Hayes family
David Booker family

February Financials

	Weekly Actual	Year-to-Date Actual	Year-to-Date Budget
Apr 2nd	\$1,167.00	\$11,572.35	\$14,928.90
Apr 9th	\$545.00	\$12,117.35	\$15,995.25
Apr 16th	\$713.00	\$12,830.35	\$17,061.60
Apr 23rd	\$1,213.00	\$14,043.35	\$18,127.95

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You Are Welcome At
Our Services!

Sunday

Morning Worship.....9 a.m.

Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Family Night.....6:00 p.m.

Events:

Weds., Mar. 6th – Family Night
@6pm

Thurs., Mar. 7th – LCS Camp
Kick-Off @6pm

Sun., Mar. 10th – Board Meeting
@6pm

Tues., Mar. 12th – Man Up @6pm

Weds., Mar. 13th – Family Night
@6pm

Mon., Mar. 18th – Camp
Fellowship, Browning @6pm

Weds., Mar. 20th – Family Night
@6pm

Thurs., Mar. 20th – Ladies’
Fellowship @6pm

Sun., Mar. 24th – Special Palm
Sunday Worship & Prayer @6pm

Fri. Mar. 29th – Good Friday
Service, Summum @6pm

Sun., Mar. 31st – Easter Sunrise
Service, Woodland @8am

All events are subject to change. Please keep up to date by checking the bulletin, Facebook page or website.



“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...”

1 Peter 1:3